# The Selfish Crocodile

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# Sample Lesson Plan

Please remember all kids are different and during this fun early childhood stage it is still about having fun while learning. This is just a sample idea, please adjust to fit your child, and your family.

| Day 1 | Day 2 | Day 3 | Day 4 | Day 5 |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| read book | read book | read book | read book | read book |
| SCIENCE 3 part animal cards | CREATIVE art/craft {child's choice} | SCIENCE Create a River Scene | CREATIVE craft/art {child's choice} | repeat comprehension/ story sequencing |
| LITERACY C is for Crocodile | LITERACY story sequencing | LITERACY Rainbow Crocodiles | LITERACY comprehension questions | additional craft/art |
| MATH Ordinal Numbers | MATH size order | MATH Fractions | MATH Greater/Less Than | repeat favorites |
| CHARACTER Selfish/Selfless | KITCHEN {parent choice} | BIBLE Bible verse | WRITING My Favorite Animal | |

# Who Came First?

Use the Ordinal numbers on this page and the animals on the next to play a game of "Who Came First?" The goal is to get your child to use ordinal numbers naturally. Chose the correct amount for your child. First exposure, just use 1st-5th. Need more practice, use all the way up to 10th!

Lay the animals in a line and ask, "who is 5th?" and have your child place the 5th card with that animal {continue with all numbers}. You can use this in many different ways. Try a describing game too, "I am thinking of an animal who has a long neck and is tall, he's 3rd...what is he?". You can play hide and seek...hide the animals and then as your child finds them he lines them up in order. Then match the ordinal numbers to his line.

Anything to help your child work on ordinal numbers in a fun way!

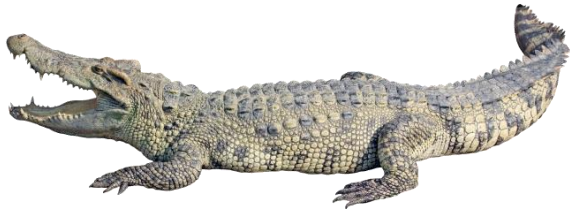| 1st | 2nd | 3rd | 4th | 5th |
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| 6th | 7th | 8th | 9th | 10th |

# Who Came First?

Cut out these animals to use with the ordinal numbers on the previous page.
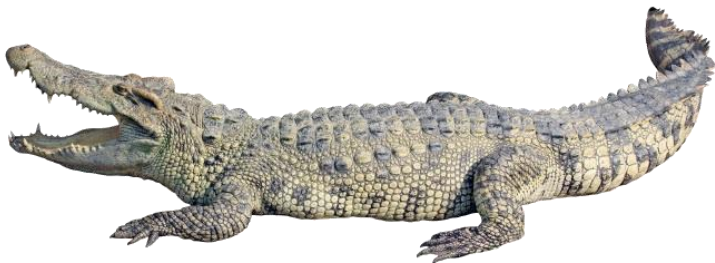
# Who is Bigger?

Cut out the animals and glue in the proper box. Use this to discuss comparing sizes.
Grab some real objects in your home and help your child put them in size order.
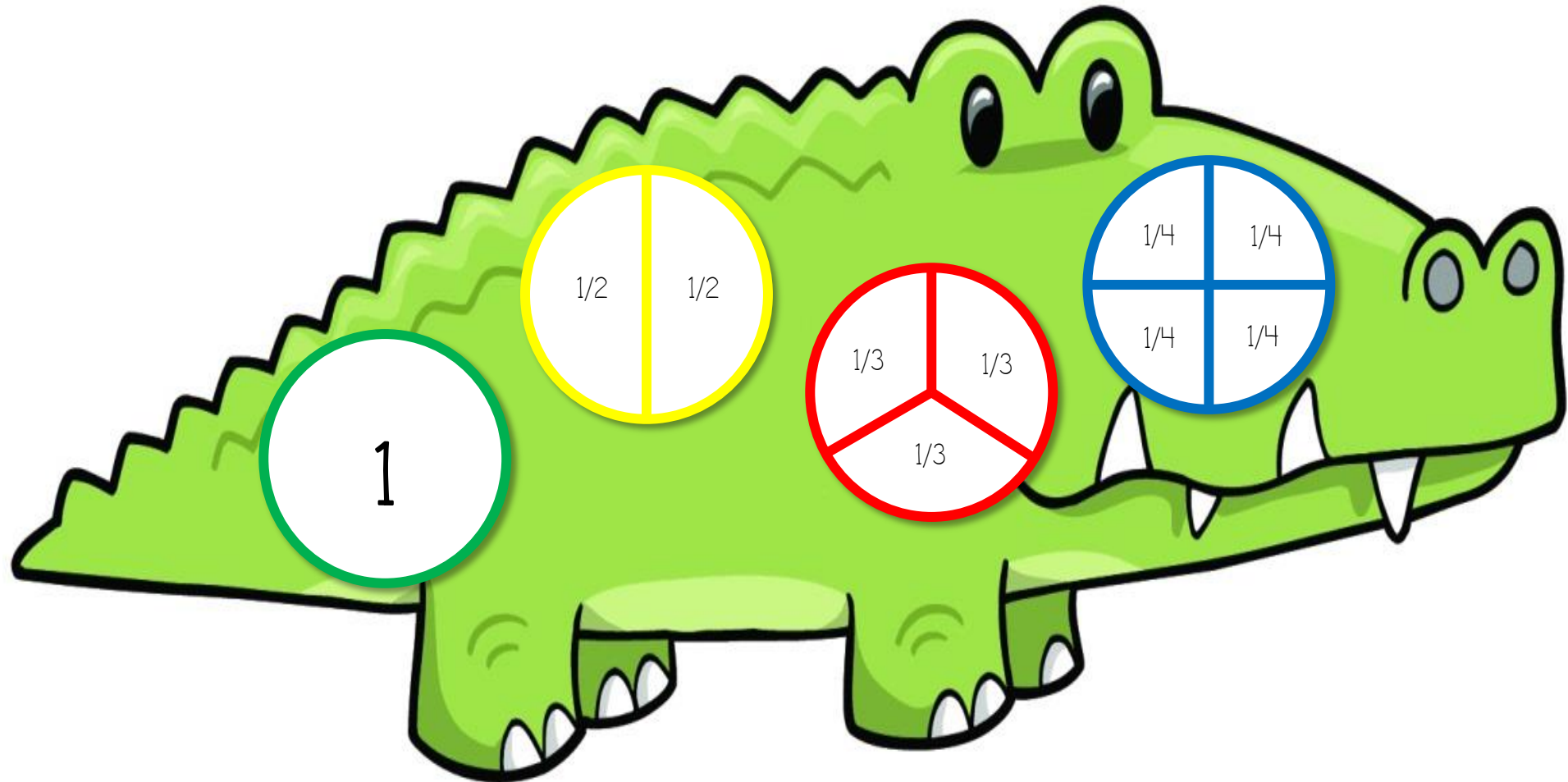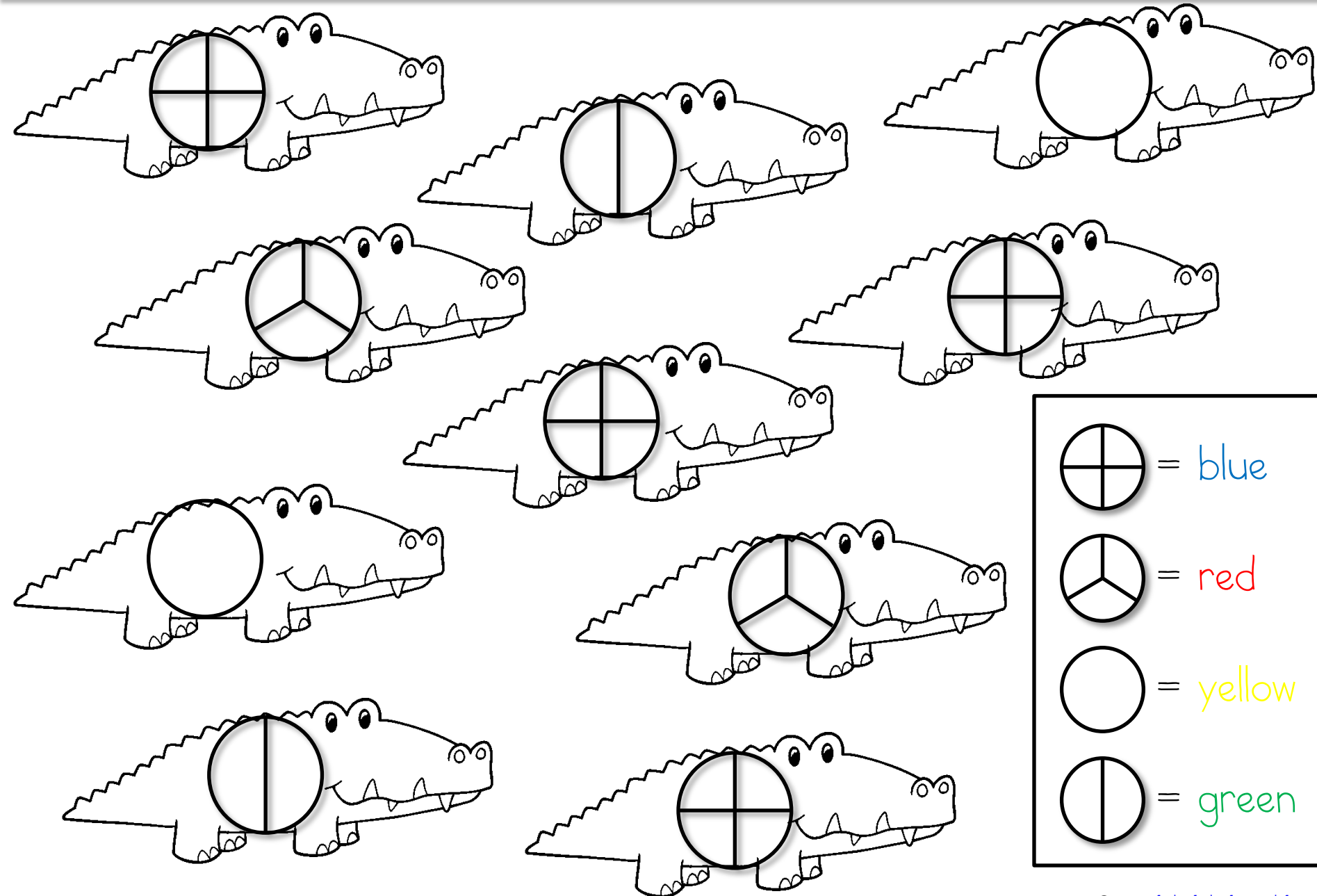
| I am the biggest. | I am in the middle. | I am the smallest. |

Use this page as a teaching tool, showing your child how the circles are divided. You could print 2 copies and cut out one for matching and even cut the fraction pieces apart to match if your child is more advanced!!
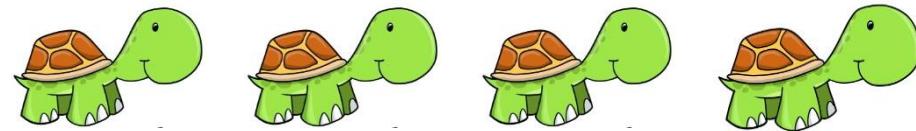
# Crocodile Fractions



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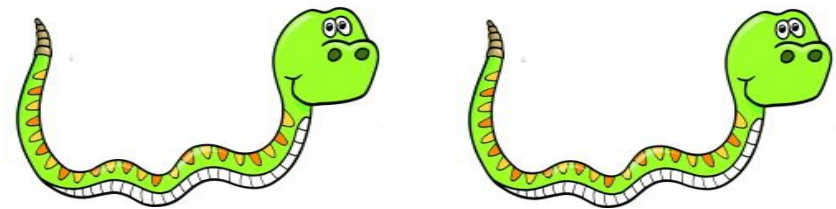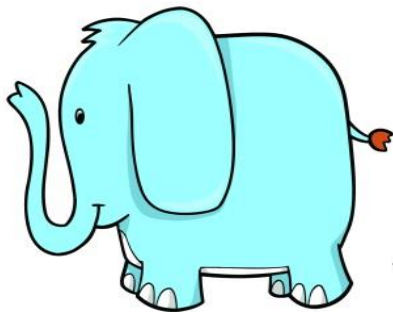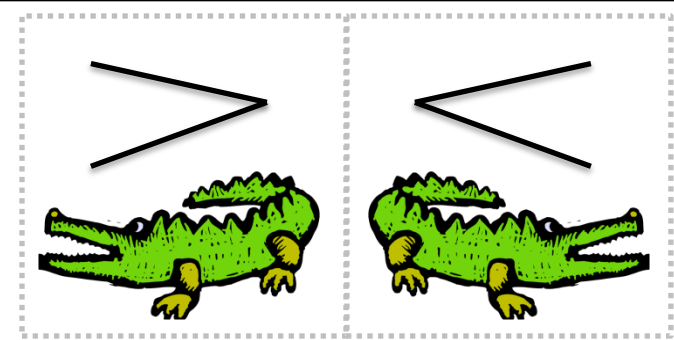1/2    1/2

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# Color or Dot Paint the Crocodiles

Print this page and cut out the rectangles and the crocodile squares. Laminate is possible. Use the floor or a pocket chart to choose 2 amounts and have your child put the correct "alligator" for less than or more than in between the amounts!
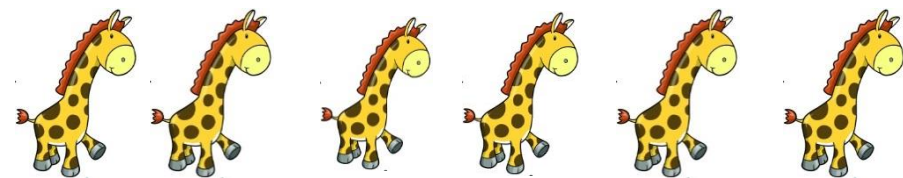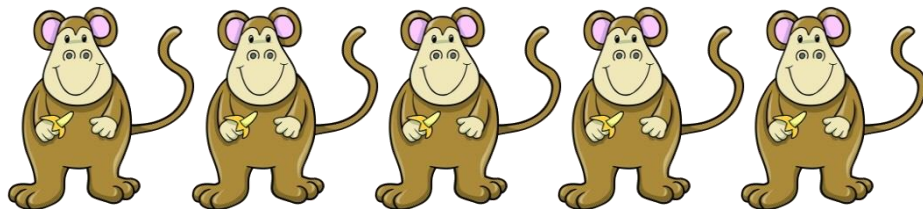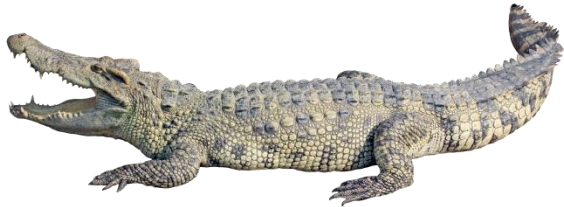
# Phonics Connection ~ Letter C

Cut and glue all items that begin with the letter C onto the C !

C is for crocodile and...

# Animal Connection ~ 3 part matching
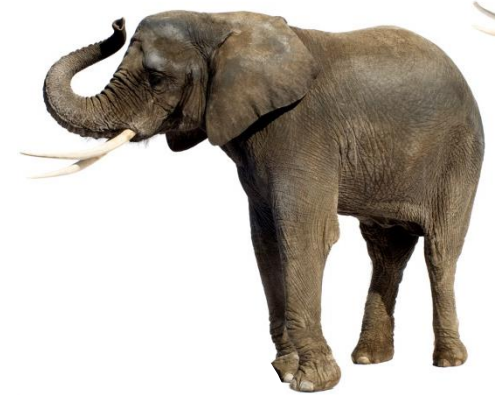
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|  |  |  |
| crocodile | mouse | elephant |
|  |  |  |
| hippo | giraffe | snake |

# Animal Connection ~ 3 part matching

crocodile

mouse

elephant

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snake

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| | | |
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| squirrel | iguana | blackbird |
| monkey | wild pig | lion |

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squirrel

iguana

blackbird

monkey

wild pig

lion

Pocket Chart printables can be used in a pocket chart or just simply laid on the floor or table. Print pages on cardstock, laminate and then cut apart into strips.
Use the book along with the strips to put the story back in order!

Story sequencing is an important skill in the early years and greatly helps with comprehension.  Use these to work on putting the story back in order and also to work on reading with expression!

Crocodile is mean.
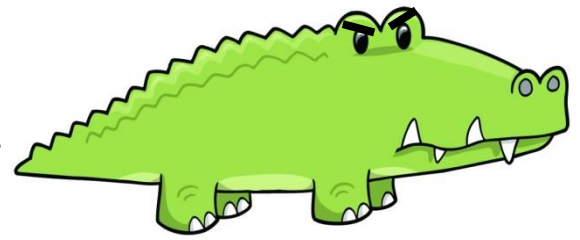
The forest creatures keep away.

Crocodile groans.

Nobody will help.

# Mouse helps.

Mouse pulls crocodile's tooth.

Crocodile gives mouse a nut.
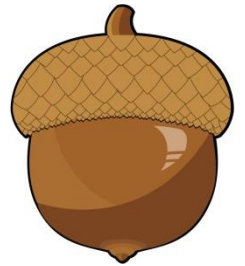
Crocodile is nice.
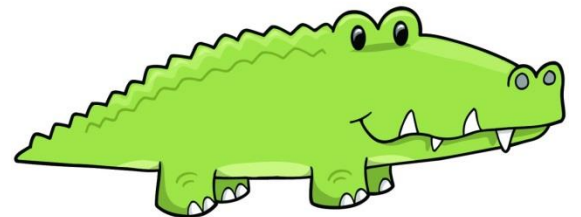
# Comprehension Connection

Use the following questions as you read, or after to improve comprehension.  Make up your own questions too! Cut them out and make a game out of it.  Put the cards in a bag or basket and have your child choose one to answer!  If s/he is confused, turn to find the answer in the book, showing how to reread for better understanding!

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|---|---|---|
| Why were there no animals in the river in the beginning of the story? | Why was the crocodile groaning? | What did the other animals do when they heard crocodile groaning? |
| Who finally helped crocodile? | What was wrong with crocodile? | Why do you think the animals were all happy in the river at the end? |

# Character Connection

The crocodile was very selfish at the beginning of the story. Then in the middle we saw the mouse be selfless. Below are actions that are either selfish or selfless. Use these to sort and talk about the difference. You can also talk about solutions for the selfish acts, how could the children have handled things better and more selfless?

The girl shared her crayons.



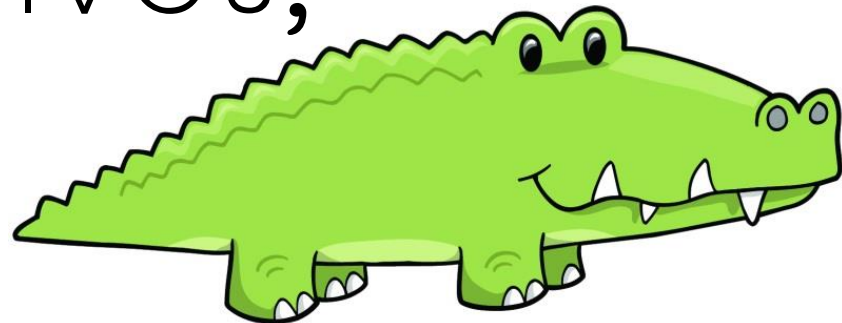The boys are fighting over the teddy bear.



The brother got mad at his sister and pushed her.



The girl is helping her neighbor clean up her yard.

# Character Connection

| Selfish | Selfless |
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|  |  |

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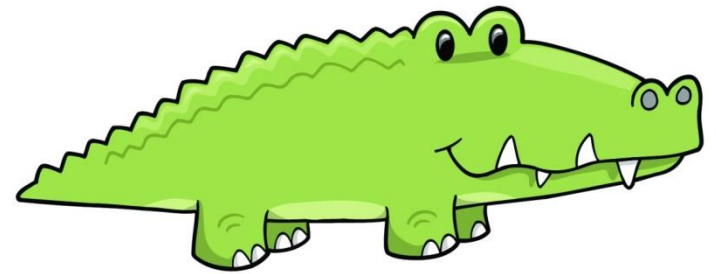
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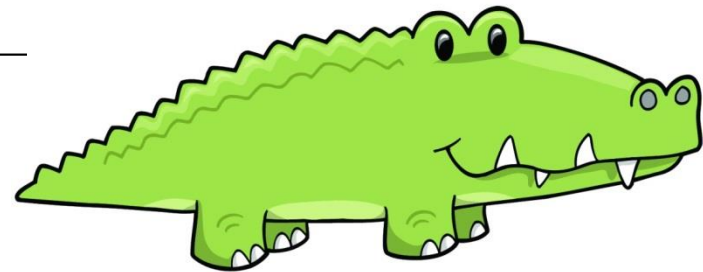
My favorite animal in the
book is _____.
I like this animal because
_____
_____
_____
_____
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_____ .

# My River

Use the animals on the next page to create a river scene.  Or, if your child likes to draw, have him/her draw their river scene! If you can do some research about river life, even better!
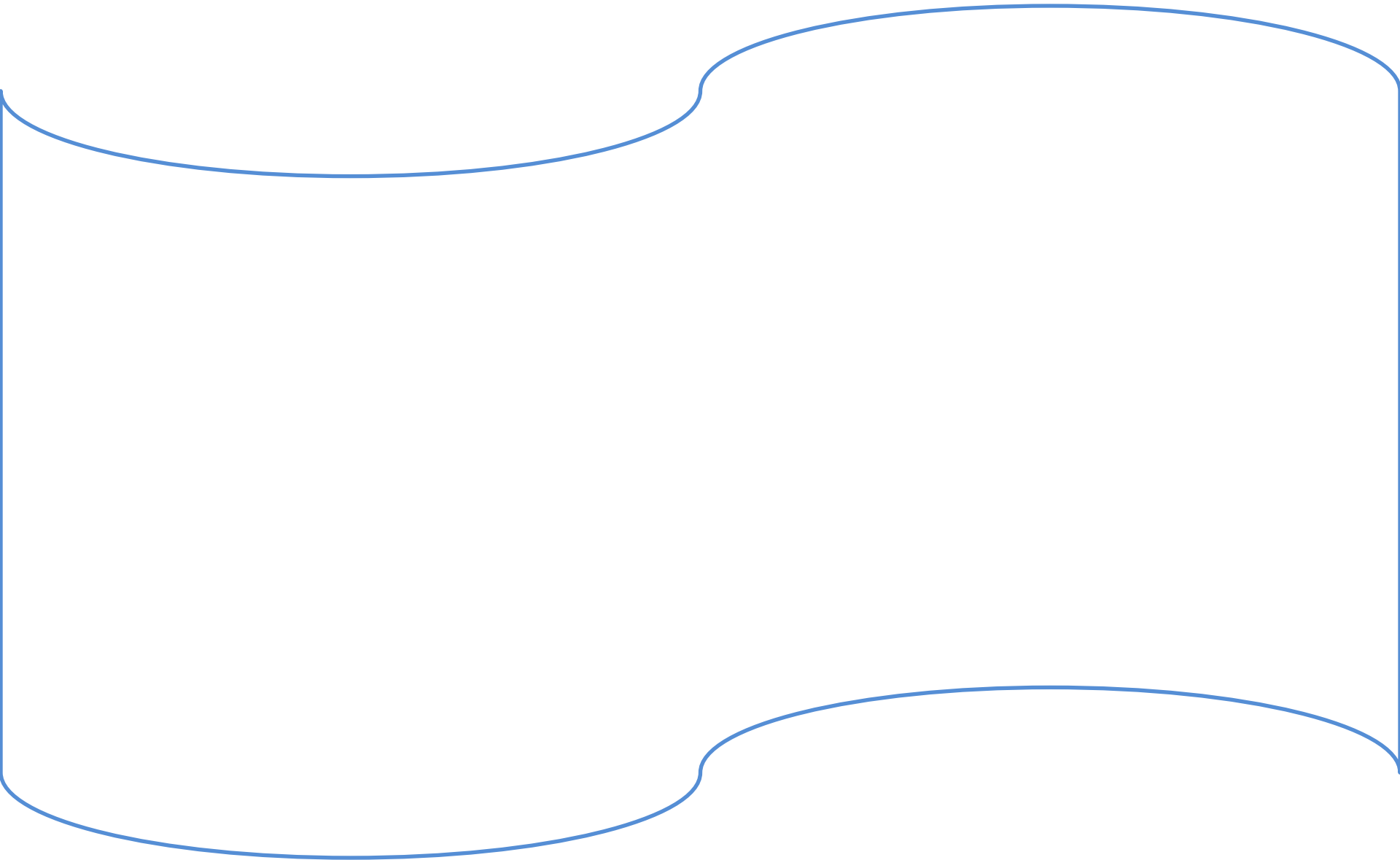
# River Animals for "My River"
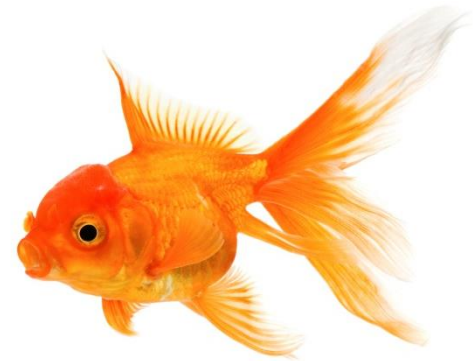
# Rainbow Crocodiles

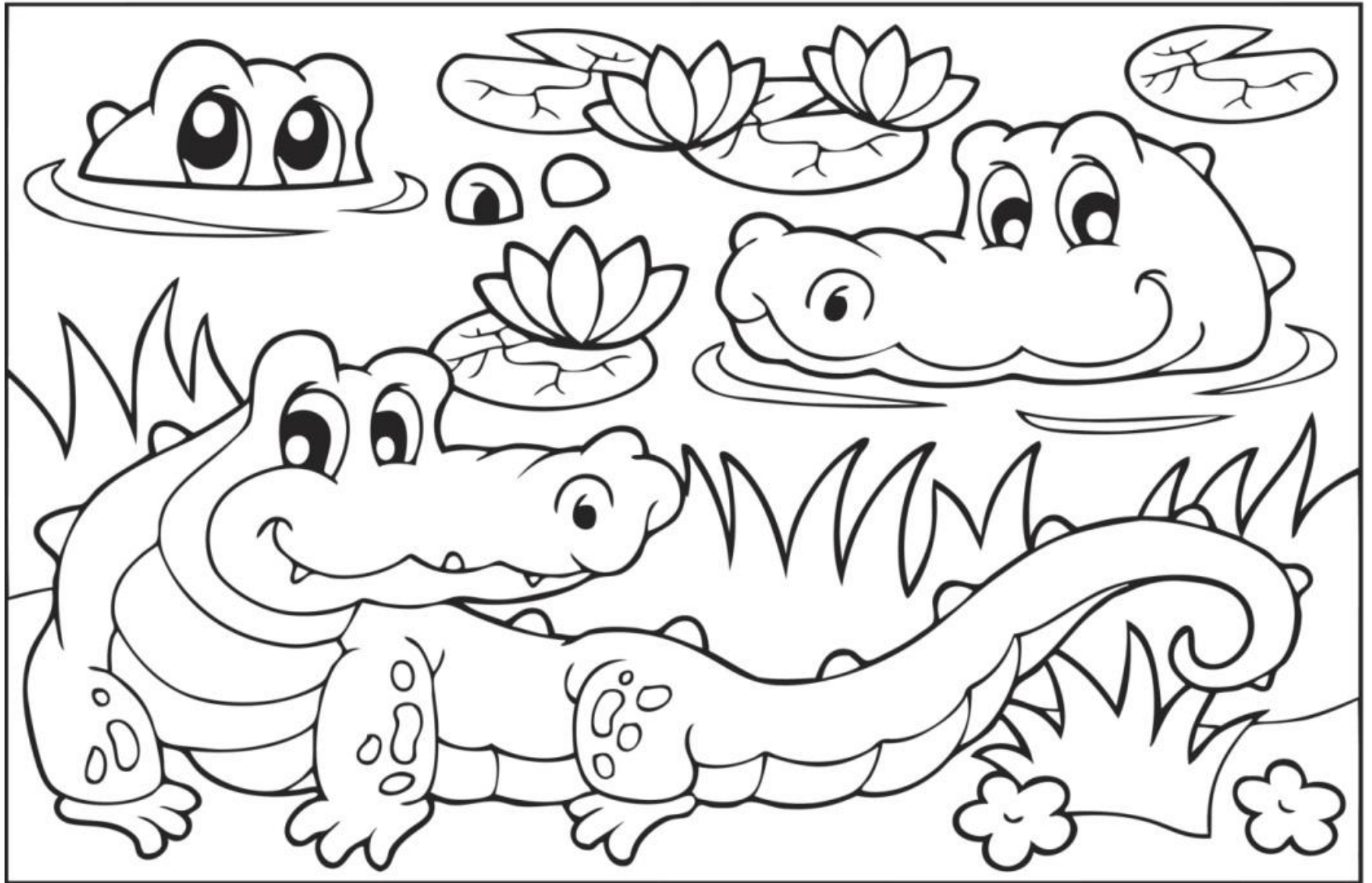Read the color word and trace it.  Then color the crocodiles the correct color!
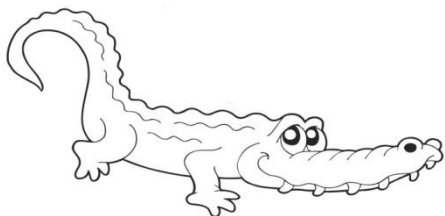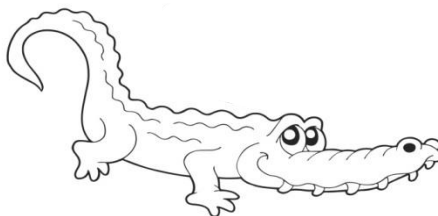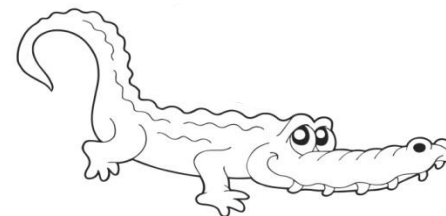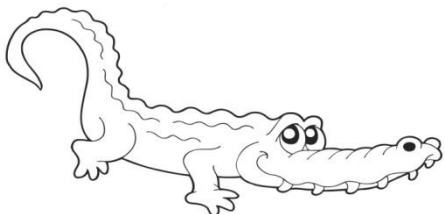
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| red | orange | yellow |
| green | blue | purple |
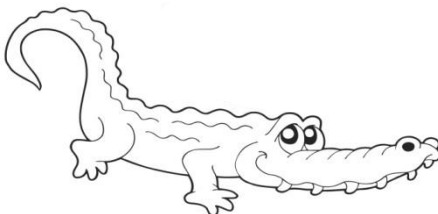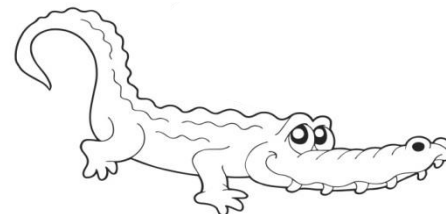
# Color the Crocodiles

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# Pinterest Board

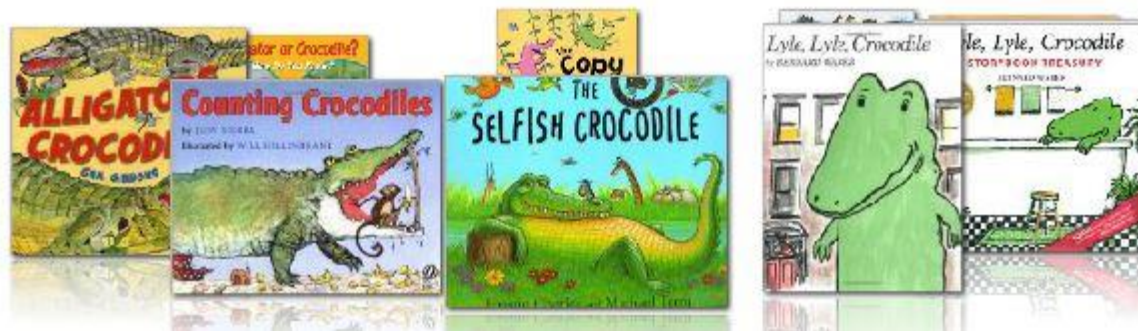Visit to see craft ideas, additional printables, recipes and more!



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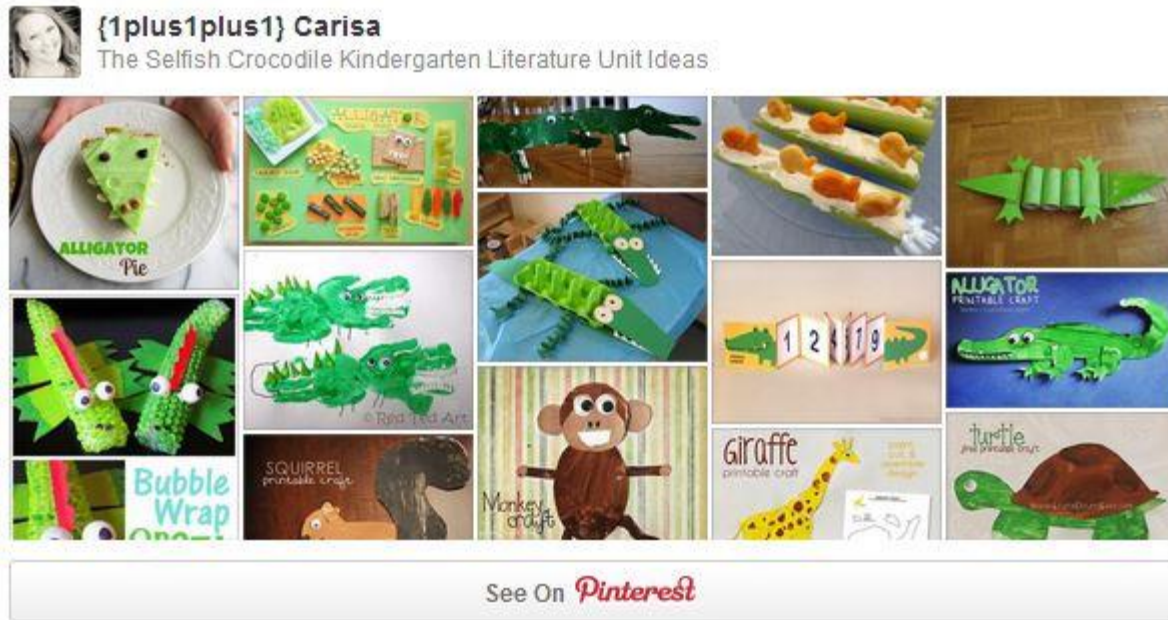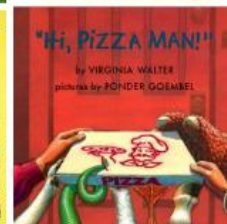
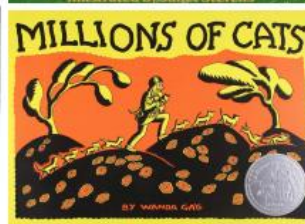# Set the Stage ~ Toys and Additional Books

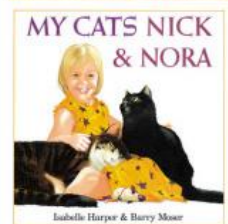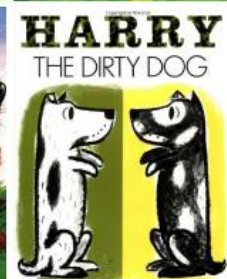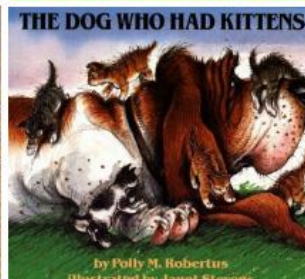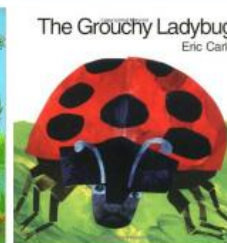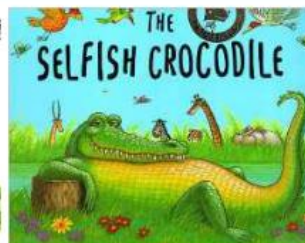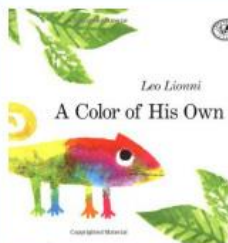Set the stage by creating a fun "invitation to learn" area for your unit.  A simple shelf, basket, or bin will work.  Gather any toys or books you have to prepare.  Borrow items from a friend or the library.  Think of any games or stuffed animals you may have to bring the story to life.  Be sure to have the focus book and other books that stem from the focus book to inspire more reading.  Below are some suggestions.

[Click to see](#) fun toys and books to go along with this unit!

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